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TIMBER CUTTINGS, JANUARY-MAY, 1979 WITH COMPARISONS

Sawlogs cut in Louisiana during the first five months of this year totaled 426,383,690 board feet. This volume represents a decrease of 15.4 percent compared with the same period a year ago but is 2.0 percent above the 1973-77 average. Pulpwood harvested through May of this year amounted to 1,364,860 cords. Cuttings are running 4.2 percent above a year ago and are 3.8 percent higher than the previous 5-year average. Additional timber harvested so far this year includes 7,105,546 board feet of sawtimber and 11,072 cords of pulpwood under re-forestation contracts.

MARKET SUMMARY, SECOND QUARTER, 1979

Stumpage prices paid for pine sawtimber averaged \$213.85 per thousand board feet. This price represents a 16.5 percent increase over the first quarter of this year and is 44 percent higher than the state average of a year ago. Prices paid for hardwood stumpage averaged higher for most species with oak and ash the leading gainers.

Pole prices were mixed but substantially unchanged.

Pulpwood stumpage averaged \$9.15 and \$3.55 per cord for pine and hardwood respectively. Pine was 50 cents higher compared with the previous quarter while hardwood was unchanged.

Wood Chips averaged \$17.50 per ton for pine and \$12.15 for hardwood F.O.B. sawmill. These prices represent an increase over first quarter averages of 15.9 for pine and 3.8 percent for hardwood chips.

During the April-June quarter, the following U.S.D.A. Forest Service Sales for Kisatchie National Forest were reported 1/

|           | SAWLOGS |                           | PULPWOOD |                            |
|-----------|---------|---------------------------|----------|----------------------------|
| Specie    | MBF 2/  | Ave. Price<br>Dollars/MBF | Cords    | Ave. Price<br>Dollars/Cord |
| Syp       | 21,239  | 238.05                    | 42,768   | 24.03                      |
| Mx. Hdwd. | 376     | 61.87                     | 1,380    | 7.11                       |

1/ Does not include salvage and optional sales.

2/ Scribner-Decimal "C" Rule.

AVERAGE PRICES PAID TO LOUISIANA TIMBER PRODUCERS BY TYPES OF INDUSTRIES, APRIL-JUNE, 1979 WITH COMPARISONS

Forest Service Sales are excluded from the following reported prices

|   |          |           |           |           |           |           | <u>STATE AVERAGE</u> |                   |                      |
|---|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
|   |          |           |           |           |           |           | April-June 1979      | Previous Quarter  | Same Period Year Ago |
|   |          | Area 1    | Area 2    | Area 3    | Area 4    | Area 5    | (Dollars)            | (Dollars)         | (Dollars)            |
| (A) <u>Sawtimber (Stumpage)</u>                                 |          | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars)            | (Dollars)         | (Dollars)            |
| Pine  | M.Bd.Ft. | 214.70    | 234.20    | 220.80    | 175.10    | 1/        | 213.85               | 187.85            | 151.85               |
| Cypress   | "        | 1/        | 78.35     | 1/        | 1/        | 62.35     | 60.85                | 59.95             | 50.10                |
| Oaks  | "        | 55.55     | 63.50     | 53.75     | 49.50     | 54.30     | 56.25                | 48.95             | 45.35                |
| Gums  | "        | 53.35     | 55.00     | 53.35     | 47.50     | 52.45     | 52.55                | 48.30             | 45.10                |
| Willow  | "        | 1/        | 52.00     | 1/        | 48.50     | 48.50     | 49.85                | 49.00             | 42.80                |
| Ash   | "        | 1/        | 107.50    | 1/        | 67.50     | 65.50     | 80.15                | 71.40             | 59.15                |
| Cottonwood  | "        | 1/        | 59.15     | 1/        | 47.50     | 52.05     | 54.60                | 50.20             | 47.10                |
| Mixed Hardwoods   | "        | 50.85     | 58.35     | 49.15     | 46.25     | 52.45     | 53.00                | 48.30             | 46.45                |
|   |          |           |           |           |           |           |                      |                   |                      |
| (B) <u>Sawtimber (Delivered)</u>                                |          |           |           |           |           |           |                      |                   |                      |
| Pine  | M.Bd.Ft. | 252.75    | 278.85    | 266.90    | 217.45    | 1/        | 254.45               | 227.70            | 192.35               |
| Cypress   | "        | 1/        | 141.95    | 1/        | 141.65    | 133.35    | 137.55               | 129.05            | 114.00               |
| Oaks  | "        | 113.75    | 128.10    | 112.15    | 107.00    | 116.80    | 117.15               | 107.45            | 100.25               |
| Gums  | "        | 112.50    | 119.85    | 113.55    | 107.00    | 114.65    | 114.30               | 110.75            | 101.35               |
| Willow  | "        | 1/        | 118.55    | 1/        | 107.00    | 106.25    | 112.45               | <del>108.65</del> | 98.20                |
| Ash   | "        | 1/        | 153.70    | 1/        | 129.00    | 120.50    | 136.85               | 124.00            | 119.65               |
| Cottonwood  | "        | 1/        | 124.80    | 1/        | 110.00    | 110.60    | 118.10               | 111.30            | 104.60               |
| Mixed Hardwoods   | "        | 113.55    | 129.95    | 109.03    | 108.35    | 114.05    | 115.05               | 111.50            | 104.00               |
|   |          |           |           |           |           |           |                      |                   |                      |
| <u>Poles, Barky (EOP Plant or Concentration Point) - Each -</u> |          |           |           |           |           |           |                      |                   |                      |
| 30-Ft. Class 5  |          | 1/        | 1/        | 10.95     | 1/        | 1/        | 11.85                | 12.05             | 10.15                |
| " Class 6   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 9.25      | 1/        | 1/        | 10.05                | 10.10             | 8.40                 |
| " Class 7   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 7.40      | 1/        | 1/        | 8.40                 | 8.50              | 6.40                 |
| 35-Ft. Class 4  |          | 1/        | 1/        | 17.05     | 1/        | 1/        | 18.35                | 18.45             | 15.85                |
| " Class 5   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 14.80     | 1/        | 1/        | 16.65                | 16.95             | 14.15                |
| " Class 6   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 12.25     | 1/        | 1/        | 12.95                | 12.90             | 11.10                |
| " Class 7   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 9.40      | 1/        | 1/        | 9.70                 | 9.60              | 8.50                 |
| 40-Ft. Class 2  |          | 1/        | 1/        | 29.20     | 1/        | 1/        | 30.10                | 30.40             | 29.35                |
| " Class 3   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 26.85     | 1/        | 1/        | 28.55                | 28.80             | 24.75                |
| " Class 4   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 23.10     | 1/        | 1/        | 25.15                | 25.35             | 20.70                |
| " Class 5   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 19.50     | 1/        | 1/        | 20.75                | 20.65             | 18.15                |
| " Class 6   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 17.25     | 1/        | 1/        | 17.90                | 17.10             | 13.25                |
| 45-Ft. Class 2  |          | 1/        | 1/        | 33.70     | 1/        | 1/        | 36.20                | 37.35             | 35.85                |
| " Class 3   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 30.45     | 1/        | 1/        | 33.35                | 34.35             | 29.85                |
| " Class 4   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 26.75     | 1/        | 1/        | 28.35                | 28.70             | 25.20                |
| " Class 5   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 23.00     | 1/        | 1/        | 24.90                | 25.25             | 22.85                |
| 50-Ft. Class 2  |          | 1/        | 1/        | 41.25     | 1/        | 1/        | 45.00                | 46.70             | 44.00                |
| " Class 3   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 35.35     | 1/        | 1/        | 40.20                | 41.90             | 35.70                |
| " Class 4   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 30.10     | 1/        | 1/        | 32.90                | 34.20             | 31.20                |
| 55-Ft. Class 2  |          | 1/        | 1/        | 56.65     | 1/        | 1/        | 57.00                | 56.70             | 52.95                |
| " Class 3   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 49.05     | 1/        | 1/        | 51.95                | 52.75             | 44.20                |
| " Class 4   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 41.85     | 1/        | 1/        | 43.30                | 42.70             | 39.40                |
| 60-Ft. Class 2  |          | 1/        | 1/        | 67.80     | 1/        | 1/        | 66.90                | 65.25             | 62.15                |
| " Class 3   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 59.25     | 1/        | 1/        | 64.15                | 64.85             | 52.75                |
| 65-Ft. Class 2  |          | 1/        | 1/        | 71.40     | 1/        | 1/        | 74.65                | 1/                | 71.10                |
| " Class 3   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 64.25     | 1/        | 1/        | 65.13                | 75.35             | 61.45                |
| 70-Ft. Class 2  |          | 1/        | 1/        | 79.75     | 1/        | 1/        | 81.70                | 1/                | 79.60                |
| " Class 3   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 71.00     | 1/        | 1/        | 71.50                | 86.00             | 68.75                |
| 75-Ft. Class 2  |          | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 95.70                | 95.70             | 87.00                |
| " Class 3   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 86.45                | 86.40             | 80.50                |
| 80-Ft. Class 2  |          | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 103.60               | 103.60            | 98.75                |
| " Class 3   |          | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 94.                  | 94.80             | 87.45                |

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| 3. Pulpwood, Per Cord:     | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars)            | (Dollars)        | (Dollars)            |
| Pine, Stumpage             | 9.75      | 8.80      | 9.35      | 7.40      | <u>1/</u> | 9.15                 | 8.65             | 7.55                 |
| Pine, F.O.B. Car           | 37.90     | <u>1/</u> | 38.42     | <u>1/</u> | <u>1/</u> | 38.35                | 36.30            | 33.65                |
| Hardwood, Mixed Stumpage   | 3.45      | 3.35      | 3.60      | 3.65      | 3.85      | 3.55                 | 3.55             | 3.10                 |
| Hardwood, Mixed F.O.B. Car | 32.25     | <u>1/</u> | 32.25     | <u>1/</u> | <u>1/</u> | 32.50                | 29.45            | 28.05                |

1/ Insufficient number of quotes to report on area basis but included in Statewide average.

Note: The Doyle log scale is basis for board feet measurement.



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